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BEGIN SUMMARY. THE FRG HAS FOUND AN AMERICAN DELEGATE
AT THE UNEP SYMPOSIUM AND IS SEEKING HIS SUPPORT IN
REBUTTING THE SOVIET PROTEST ON THE PARTICIPATION OF THE
FRG DELEGATE FROM BERLIN. END SUMMARY.

1. AT SEPTEMBER 21 BONN GROUP MEETING, FRG REP
(HENZE) PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON FIRST
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TWO DAYS' DEVELOPMENTS AT THE UNEP

SYMPOSIUM IN KARL MARX STADT, AS REPORTED BY VON RICHTHOFEN FROM FRG PERMANENT REPRESENTATION IN EAST BERLIN (WHO IS ATTENDING SYMPOSIUM AND APPEARS TO BE COMMUTING BETWEEN KARL MARX STADT AND EAST BERLIN):

-- HAESELBARTH FROM THE FEDERAL HEALTH OFFICE WAS ADMITTED AND ON THE FIRST DAY WAS GIVEN A BADGE WHICH READ "GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF."

-- ON THE SECOND DAY, WHEN THE LIST OF DELEGATES WAS ISSUED, HAESELBARTH'S NAME CAME OUT OF ALPHABETICAL ORDER, AT THE END OF THE FRG DELEGATION. HIS WAS THE ONLY NAME NOT FOLLOWED BY LISTING OF HIS INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION. VON RICHTHOFEN PROTESTED THIS TO THE ORGANIZERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

--THE SOVIET DELEGATE THEN ANNOUNCED THAT HE COULD NOT RECOGNIZE THE RIGHT OF HAESELBARTH TO TAKE PART IN THE SYMPOSIUM BECAUSE HE CAME FROM A FEDERAL INSTITUTE ILLEGALLY LOCATED IN BERLIN. THE HUNGARIAN AND CZECH DELEGATIONS FOLLOWED SUIT. THE POLES DID NOT.

-- THE FRG DELEGATION HAS BEEN TRYING TO STIMULATE AN ALLIED REBUTTAL OF THE SOVIET STATEMENT. THE UK APPEARS NOT TO BE REPRESENTED, AND VON RICHTHOFEN HAD SO FAR BEEN UNABLE TO FIND THE FRENCH DELEGATE (WHO, ACCORDING TO FRENCH BONN GROUP REP, WAS BRIEFED BEFOREHAND AND ARMED WITH A COPY OF THE GUENTHER/TNC REPLY FOR USE IN MAKING AN ON-THE-SPOT REPLY). RICHTHOFEN ALSO REPORTED HAVING FOUND A US DELEGATE (CONTRARY TO INFORMATION IN REFTEL A).

2. ON SEPTEMBER 22 HENZE ASKED EMBOFF TO ATTEMPT TO GET INSTRUCTIONS TO US DELEGATE TO SUPPORT ANY ON-THE-SPOT REPLY THAT MIGHT BE MADE BY FRENCH AND UK DELEGATES. ASKED TO ASSIST IN IDENTIFYING THE US DELEGATE, HENZE SUBSEQUENTLY REPORTED THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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HE WAS LISTED AS R. V. THOMANN FROM MANHATTAN COLLEGE, NEW YORK.

4. WE UNDERSTAND THAT FRG PERMANENT REPRESENTATION HAS MADE SIMILAR REQUEST TO EMBASSY BERLIN AND THAT EMBASSY BERLIN MAY TRY TO SEND A LETTER TO MR. THOMANN VIA RICHTHOFEN, SUGGESTING THAT IT WOULD BE PROPER FOR THOMANN TO ASSOCIATE HIMSELF WITH REMARKS MADE

BY FRENCH OR BRITISH DELEGATES.
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